



# CULTURAL ADVISORY COMMISSION

## Minutes of the March 3, 2008 Meeting



**Commissioners Present:** Michelle Castro, Martin David, Chair; Marwan Fawal; Susan Migliore; Al Silva, Vice Chair; and P.J. Vaswani

**Commissioners Absent:** Debi Davis

**Staff Liaison:** Pam Morrison, Staff Liaison

**Visitors:** Ron Paradies and Patty Crompton, Santa Clara Chorale

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### **MATTERS FOR COUNCIL ACTION** – None.

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1. **Call to Order and Roll Call.** The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chair David. Commissioner Castro moved to excuse Commission Davis; Commissioner Silva seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
2. **Approval of Minutes.** The minutes from the December 3, 2007 meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Castro moved to accept the minutes as presented; Commissioner Migliore seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The minutes from the February 4, 2008 meeting were then reviewed. Commissioner Castro moved to accept the minutes as presented; Commissioner Vaswani seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
3. **Correspondence & Announcements:** Staff reviewed the correspondence received by the Commission, including announcements from the Santa Clara Players for upcoming auditions.
4. **New Business**
  - a. **Santa Clara Chorale.** Ron Paradies and Patty Crompton, representing the Santa Clara Chorale, presented a funding request for the Santa Clara Chorale's recent production "Comfort and Joy," which was budgeted in the 2007-08 fiscal year. Commissioner Silva moved to release payment of \$2,650 to the Chorale; Commissioner Castro seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
5. **Unfinished Business**
  - a. **"Art in the Air" Banner Display 2008 – Update.** Staff informed the Commission that the blank banners were distributed to the artists, and one banner had already been completed. However, the banner differed significantly from the chosen design. Commissioner Castro agreed to review the banner and, if appropriate, contact the artist about revising the design to match what was selected.

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- b. **“All Fired Up” Sculpture Exhibition – Recap of Show.** The show was extremely well received; staff noted that a very large number of tours came through City Hall for the show. A suggestion was made to have more specialty or theme shows in the future.
  - c. **Street Dance 2008 Update.** It was suggested that a map be produced for this year’s street dance, showing booth and restaurant locations. In addition, a large sign with information about restaurants and booths could be placed in a prominent location at the dance for everyone’s information. Additional banners to advertise the street dance were requested, particularly for Lafayette/El Camino and at the Pruneridge Golf Course; staff will look into it.
  - d. **Concerts in the Park 2008 Update.** Additional banners to advertise the concerts were requested, particularly for Lafayette/El Camino and at the Pruneridge Golf Course; staff will look into it.
  - e. **Triton Museum of Art – Report of Activities.** Staff distributed copies of the most recent Triton monthly report of activities.
  - f. **Suggestions to Improve Commission Visibility/Branding.** No new update.
6. **Commissioner Reports.** Commissioners reported on cultural activities of general interest. A question was raised about the Central Park Library art gallery space and how it was being used; staff will report back at the next meeting. Commissioner Migliore announced that she is moving and will have to resign as Commissioner. She will forward her letter of resignation shortly.
7. **Public Presentations.** None.
8. **Adjournment.** As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 7, 2008, at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Castro  
Recording Secretary